



SOLUTIONS ON FIRE

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Hi there,
Welcome to March Issue of Solutions on Fire, the monthly resource to fire safety news, products and information. This month we are discussing the importance of a fire safety culture within your organisation. How important is it to you? Also your monthly news items, plus further info on our training courses coming up over the next few months. Kind Regards, **Solutions Fire Safety**

We have arranged further dates for the **Free Technical Presentations** regarding the forthcoming adoption of ISO 7010 as a European Norm.

Upcoming dates are as follow:



Date: Friday 6th May 2011
Location: Chelmsford, CM2 5LB
Time: 9.20am

Date: Wednesday 15th June 2011
Location: University of Loughborough, LE11 3TU
Time: 1.30pm

For further information please click here

A new European Standard is underway; **Services for Fire Safety and Security Systems**. This standard 'will work on the competence and quality of services for the planning and design, engineering, installation, maintenance and repair of fire safety and security systems.' We will be waiting for updates on this one!

This month we have had a great interest in our Fire Safety Audit Guide, **A Guide for Basic Fire Risk Assessment**. So I thought I would take this opportunity to give you all a little more info on it. This guide has been developed for the use of organisations to comply with the requirements of a fire risk assessment in your workplace. It is an attempt to bring together a formal risk assessment in a step by step form. The process of a fire risk assessment is necessary for compliance within workplace fire safety legislation. It is by far the most complex responsibility and this guide will provide an effective method of developing a risk assessment. For further information on this guide please click here to be directed to our website.



A former housing association chief has received a bill for 9.1million after he started a forest fire
Mr Hanks, from Essex, was lost in the forest with his partner when he lit a small camp fire to keep them warm. This wasn't small for long! It spread through 5,000 acres of forest, took 8 days to extinguish with the help of 277 fire fighters, 12 planes and 20 helicopters.

A landlord has been fined £20,000 after breaching 4 safety regulations

An electrical fault which sparked the fire spread through and destroyed flats plus a restaurant. The property developer admitted to endangering lives and breaching the regulations. He had no fire risk assessment and no appropriate safety equipment including no detector and fire doors.

Taping cling film over detectors? Thai restaurant pleads guilty

A joint proprietor of a Thai restaurant in Wokingham has pleaded guilty to 12 breaches of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005. The case has been adjourned until 6th April for sentencing.

Owner pleads guilty to failure of fire safety systems but not to deaths in their hotel fire

The hotel fire, where three people died in August 2007 had failed to carry out a suitable fire risk assessment and did not have the appropriate alarms and detectors. The prosecution accepted their not guilty pleas but instead had to accept responsibility for failure of their systems.

LFB will now be charging owners of buildings and lifts £260 for attending non-emergency lift call outs

Businesses will now be charged tough penalties for making unnecessary calls to London Fire Brigade for non-emergency call outs with regards to lifts. The charge will be applied after a third call has been made to the same building in a 12 month period.

Ensuring your premises is safe from a fire requires much more than fire safety arrangements

This month Solutions Fire Safety are discussing the importance of creating a fire safety culture in the workplace. Adopting a fire safety culture is a corporate commitment that each organisation should have in place. Adopting a workplace that reflects the best approach, values, perception and approach to fire safety is the crucial aspect of a fire safety culture.

Please Click here to read the full article on our website.



Solutions Fire Safety Upcoming Training Dates

	<p><u>Responsible Person</u> Wednesday 6th and Thursday 7th April 2011 Location: Basildon, Essex Cost: £149.95 per attendee + VAT Further Information: Please follow this link to visit our website</p>
	<p><u>Fire Warden Training</u> Thursday 28th April 2011 Location: Basildon, Essex Cost: £55.00 per attendee + VAT Further Information: Please follow this link to visit our website</p>
	<p><u>Managing Fire Safety Training (Responsible Person Duties)</u> Friday 6th May 2011 Location: Basildon, Essex Cost: £75.00 per attendee + VAT Further Information: Please follow this link to visit our website</p>